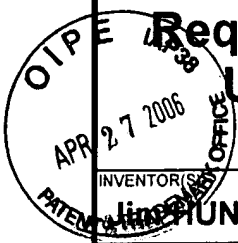


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It is hereby requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in the above identified application from the Non-Final Office Action, dated November 2, 2005, which extends the period for reply to May 2, 2006.

This Extension of time is being requested for the purpose of filing:

- ☐ a response to the _____ dated _____.
- ☐ formal drawings.
 - ☐ (The Issue Fee due _____ has been timely filed.)
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 - ☐ (A timely response to the Final Rejection due _____ has been filed.)
- ☐ an Appeal Brief.
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- ☐ Other: _____
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